

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 MOSCOW 14860 162253Z

17

ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 EA-07 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-04 H-02 INR-07

L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01 PRS-01 SP-02 SS-15 USIA-06

IO-10 OMB-01 SAJ-01 SAM-01 ACDA-05 /084 W

----- 006879

R 161608Z OCT 75

FM AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5660

INFO AMEMBASSY BELGRADE

AMEMBASSY BERLIN

AMEMBASSY BONN

AMEMBASSY BUCHAREST

AMEMBASSY BUDAPEST

AMCONSUL HONG KONG

AMEMBASSY LISBON

AMCONSUL LENINGRAD

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMCONSUL MUNICH

USMISSION NATO

USLO PEKING

AMEMBASSY PARIS

AMEMBASSY PRAGUE

AMEMBASSY ROME

AMEMBASSY SOFIA

AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

AMEMBASSY TOKYO

AMEMBASSY WARSAW

CINCPAC

C O N F I D E N T I A L MOSCOW 14860

E.O. 11652 GDS

TAGS: PFOR, UR

SUBJECT: IZVESTIYA "UNMASKS" MAOISM

CINCPAC FOR POLAD

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 MOSCOW 14860 162253Z

1. SUMMARY: IZVESTIYA ON OCTOBER 15 CARRIES A LENGTHY

COMMENTARY EXPOSING THE IDEOLOGICAL DANGERS AND PROGPAGANDA DIFFICULTIES POSED BY MAOISM FOR "TRUE SOCIALISM." THE ARTICLE ("MAOISM UNMASKED"), BY L. KYUZADZHYAN, IDENTIFIED AS A DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE ACADEMY OF SCIENCE'S INSTITUTE FOR SCIENTIFIC INFORMATION ON SOCIAL SCIENCES, WARNS THAT MAOISM ENCOURAGES SPLITTISM IN COMMUNIST PARTIES; IS CLOSE TO IF NOT IDENTICAL WITH TROTSKYISM; IS MISLEADING IN THAT IT APPEARS TO ENDORSE IDEA THAT THERE CAN BE VARIOUS NATIONAL ROADS TO SOCIALISM; AND DECEIVES THE THRID WORLD INTO THINKING IT IS A WORKABLE DEVELOPMENT PHILOSPHY AS WELL AS AN IDEOLOGY. END SUMMARY.

2. KYUZADZHYAN ARGUES THAT MAOISM IS BOTH A PROPAGANDA BURDEN AND AN IDEOLOGICAL DANGER FOR "TRUE SOCIALISM." HE CONTENTS THAT "WITH THE RISE AND DEVELOPEMENT OF MAOISM BOURGEOIS IDEOLOGUES ACQUIRED WHAT IN THEIR VIEW IS A PRICELESS MEANS OF DISCREDITING MARXISM-LENINISM IN THE EYES OF UNSOPHISTICATED PEOPLE." NOT ONLY THAT, WRITES KYUZADZHYAN, BUT BOURGEOIS PROPAGANDA PLAYS ON MAOISM'S NATIONALIST TENDENCIES TO "URGE ON OPPORTUNIST ELEMENTS IN COMMUNIST PARITES TO MAKE THEIR OWN POLITICAL DEALS." AMONG THE LEADERS OF SUCH ELEMENTS, HE WRITES, QUOTING FROM BREZHNEV'S 24TH PARTY CONGRESS ADDRESS, ARE ROGER GARAUDY IN FRANCE, ERNST FISCHER IN AUSTRIA, G. PETKOV IN VENEZUELA, AND THE "MANIFESTO GROUP" IN ITALY. "IN THE CONTEMPORARY IDEOLOGICAL STRUGGLE," CONTINEUS KYUZADZHYAN, "A COMPLEX ALLIANCE OF FORCES, FROM OPENLY ANTI-COMMUNIST TO ALL KINDS OF REVISIONISTS, IS BEING FORMED IN WHICH UNDER THE PRESENT 'DIVISION OF LABOR', MAOISM SUPPLIES 'THERETICAL' ARGUMENTS AGAINST TRUE SOCIALISM."

3. KYUZADZHYAN POINTS TO AT LEAST THREE OTHER DANGERS INHERENT IN MAOISM: CITING ISAAC DEUTSCHER FOR A SUPPORTING OPINION, HE CLAIMS THAT "THE ARGUEMNTS OF MAOIST THEORISTS HAVE MUCH IN COMMON WITH THOSE OF TROTSKY"; POINTING TO FISCHER AND GARAUDY AS EXAMPLES, HE SHOWS HOW MAOISM SPREADS THE IDEA THAT THERE CAN BE "VARIOUS MODELS OF SOCIALISM", WITH "NATIONALIST TENDENCIES" AS THE DETERMININGFACTOR; AND, REFERRING TO AMERICAN POLITICAL SCIENTIST MICHAEL OKSENBURT, HE SHOWS HOW MAOISM IS ADVOCATED AS A DEVELOPMENT PHILOSOPHY FOR THE THIRD WORLD, EVEN THROUGH ITS HAS BEEN SHOWN, HE ARGUES, THAT MAOISM'S SUBJUGATION OF NATIONAL INTEREST TO THE INTERESTS OF A "NARROW GROUP" DISTORTS" OR EVEN "BREAKS OFF" THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 MOSCOW 14860 162253Z

4. KYUZADZHYAN WARNS THAT, WITH BOURGEOIS IDEOLOGIES UNDER INCREASING PRESSURE FROM OBJECTIVE CHANGES IN THE CORRELATION OF FORCES, BOURGEOIS PROPAGANDA IS USING ANY PRETEXT IT CAN TO CRITICIZE THE THEORY AND PRACTICES OF "SOCIALISM." HE THEREFORE CONCLUDES THAT REVELATION OF THE TRUE ANTI-MARIST NATURE OF MAOISM ACQUIRES URGENT SIGNIFICANCE, ESPECIALLY IN THOSE OF ITS FEATURES WHICH CONTEMPORARY ANTI-COMMUNISM REGARDS AS HAVING A

ALLEGEDLY BEEN BORROWED FROM MARXISM-LENINISM.

5. COMMENT. WE VIEW THE ARTICLE AS A FURTHER SHOT ACROSS THE BOWS OF THE WORLD COMMUNIST MOVEMENT-AND ESPECIALLY THE PARTIES IN EASTERN AND WESTERN EUROPE, WARNING THEM OF THE PERILS LURKING BEHIND PEKING'S SIREN SONG. THE ARTICLE ALSO MAKES HEAVY USE OF PEKING, HOWEVER, AS A TARGET AGAINST WHICH TO VENT ITS SPLEEN OVER UNCOMFORTABLE TENDENCIES IN OTHER PARTIES--"OPPORTUNISTS" WHO BELIEVE THAT THE SPECTRUM OF "SCIENTIFIC SOCIALISM" IS SO BROAD THAT IT CAN REACH FROM CHINESE COMMUNISM ALL THE WAY TO SOCIAL DEMOCRATISM IN WESTERN EUROPE AND VENEZUELA. THE REAL DANGER PEKING'S INDEPENDENT PHILOSOPHY POSES TO MOSCOW IS THAT IT ENCOURAGES COMMUNIST PARTIES TO EXPLORE A NATIONAL APPROACH, THEREBY WEAKENING MOSCOW'S HOLD OVER THEM. WITH ALMOST A YEAR'S PULLING AND TUGGING OVER PREPARATIONS FOR THE EUROPEAN COMMUNIST PARTY CONFERENCE BEHIND IT, MOSCOW PROBABLY FEELS MORE THAN EVER THE NEED TO CURB SUCH TENDENCIES IN WHAT IT STILL LIKES TO REGARD AS ITS CLIENT PARTIES. THE PICTURE KYUZADZHANYAN PAINTS --BOURGEOIS-MAOIST COLLUSION AGAINST TRUE COMMUNISM--IS FAMILIAR, BUT THE POINT OF THE ARTICLE IS THAT THE ENEMY IS WITHIN THE WALLS. STOESEL

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: PRESS COMMENTS, POLITICAL SITUATION
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 16 OCT 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: ellisoob
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975MOSCOW14860
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750360-0314
From: MOSCOW
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t19751047/aaaabpxd.tel
Line Count: 136
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION EUR
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: ellisoob
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 05 MAY 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <05 MAY 2003 by BoyleJA>; APPROVED <29 SEP 2003 by ellisoob>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
06 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: IZVESTIYA "UNMASKS" MAOISM CINCPAC FOR POLAD
TAGS: PFOR, SOPN, PROP, UR
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006